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SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
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TOLL TAX OVER BRIDGES OF NHS
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of over bridges on National Highways passing through Karnataka where toll tax is being levied, location-wise;

(b) the rate at which toll tax is charged, vehicle-wise;

(c) the total toll collected during the last three years, year-wise;

(d) the criteria adopted for fixing the rate of toll tax;

(e) whether toll tax on over bridges is uniform in the entire country; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a): There is no over-bridge on National Highways passing through Karnataka where toll tax is being collected separately.

(b): The rate of toll tax for services rendered in relation to use of bridges costing more than Rs. 5.00 crore on any section of National Highways is charged based on the initial cost of the bridge and its approaches as per table given below.

Initial Cost of the bridge and its approaches. Toll Rates (Rs Per Vehicle)

(Rs. in crores)

	Cars/Jeep. etc. Vehicles/Mini Buses	Light Commercial Multi Axle Vehicles	Trucks/Buses and
Below 50	5	10	15
50-75	10	10	25
75-100	10	15	30
100-125	15	20	40
125-150	15	20	40
150-200	15	25	50
Above 200	20	30	60

However, for the bridges constructed through private sector participation, the toll tax varies from case to case.

(c): As mentioned above, no toll tax is being collected on over-bridges on National Highways passing through Karnataka separately.

(d) to (f): As per present policy, no toll tax is being collected for the bridges each costing less than Rs. 5.00 crore. For bridges each costing more than Rs.5.00 crore, the toll tax is fixed based on the initial cost of the bridge and its approaches as per National Highways (Rate of Fee) Rules 1997. However for the bridges constructed through private sector participation the toll tax for various categories of vehicles is decided based on cost of construction, maintenance and operation, volume of traffic and concession period. For fixing the toll tax same criteria is followed throughout the country.